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Abstract of the Disclosure:

An operating system for a printing machine includes a graphic operating interface for allowing the printing machine to be controlled by actions made by an operator of the printing machine in the context of the operating interface, and electronic documentation selectively displayable on the operating interface as a result of actions by the operator in the context of the operating interface, the electronic documentation including operating instructions for the printing machine, a spare-parts catalog for the printing machine, containing numbers and drawings of spare parts, and maintenance instructions for the printing machine, the operating system also including a list with links between electronic addresses of electronic components in the printing machine and at least one of the spare-parts numbers and the spare-parts drawings, respectively, and when the operating system receives a report of a fault in an electronic component, the electronic address of which is specified, being capable of referring to the fault on the operating interface and, in response to an action by the operator, of displaying at`least one of the associated spare-parts numbers and spare-parts drawings, respectively, on the operating interface; and a method of updating the operating system in the event of a changed structural state of the printing machine.

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